News-Item "Teaspoon of Turmeric a Day Keeps Cancer at Bay : NIN study"

3711. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, "Teaspoon of turmeric a day keeps cancer at bay: NIN study", published in the News-time, dated the 30th July, 2001;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to give maximum publicity to the conclusion of the decade long studies by the National Institute of Nutrition in this regard for public benefit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) : A recent study conducted by National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad, suggests that the use of turmeric can reduce the incidence of various types of cancer. No decision had been taken yet to promote this aspect, though health education for prevention of cancer is being undertaken under National Cancer Control Programme.

Ineffective Malaria Eradication Programme

†3712. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Malaria Eradication Programme being implemented by Government has become ineffective for the last few years;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of amount allocated by Government under this programme for the last two years to the States along with the amount utilised by them, State-wise;

(d) whether it is also a fact that some State Governments have requested Government to increase their allocations; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) No, Sir. The data collected by Dte. of NAMP indicates a declining trend of Malarial incidence.

(b) Does not arise.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Res.(c) A Statement showing the status of distribution of Central assistance provided to the States during the last two years under the National Anti Malaria Programme (NAMP) is annexed. (*See* below)

(d) and (e) Under NAMP, the Central assistance is released to the States on the basis of their actual need and the demands are met as per the pattern of assistance under the Programme.

Statement

The status of distribution of Central Assistance to the States under National Anti Malaria Programme (NAMP) during 1999-2000 *and* 2000-01

(Rs. in Lakh)

Name of the States/UTs	1999-2000	2000-01
Andhra Pradesh	322.86	644.11
Arunachal Pradesh	303.27	293.79
Assam	2267.01	2657.87
Bihar	481.35	87.20
Goa	10.93	0.97
Gujarat	489.04	211.23
Haryana	259.03	78.34
Himachal Pradesh	46.11	89.06
Jammu & Kashmir	52.73	84.29
Karnataka	662.66	233.38
Kerala	117.72	75.93
Madhya Pradesh	893.40	711.54
Maharashtra	282.97	286.74
Manipur	403.051	235.70
Meghalaya	306.70	303.58
Mizoram	309.56	235.26
Nagaland	240.83	278.91
Orissa	329.67	547.63
Punjab	288.96	148.32

Name of the States/UTs	1999-2000	2000-01
Rajasthan	1146.16	286.86
Sikkim	11.65	0.12
Tamil Nadu	392.31	133.91
Tripura	375.89	480.94
Uttar Pradesh	622.18	544.11
West Bengal	296.36	454.47
Delhi	75.40	100.46
Pondicherry	10.32	13.55
A & N Islands	116.46	231.76
Chandigarh	47.25	44.79
D & N Haveli	25.94	18.12
Daman & Diu	16.42	9.90
Lakshadweep	5.81	5.57
TOTAL	11210.00	9518.41
Kala-azar	1000.00	1000.00
EAC	6064.95	7389.73
Est./Publicity/ Research	541.35	1271.41
GRAND TOTAL	18816.30	19179.55

Increase in under-nourishment and starvations because of drought

3713. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that half of Indian children are chronically under-nourished and half of adult women suffer from anaemia and with drought affecting large parts of the country for the second or third time, under-nourishment and starvations are likely to increase;

(b) whether it is also a fact that 50 million tones of foodgrains are lying idle in the Central Government godowns;